

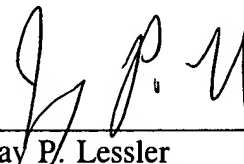
If the Restriction is not withdrawn, applicants respectfully request rejoinder of the claims of Group II upon the allowance of the claims of Group I.

In order to be fully responsive, applicants confirm that they have provisionally elected the claims of Group I, claims 42-45, 61, 74, and 85-93, for further prosecution.

In view of the above remarks, it is respectfully requested that the application be reconsidered and that all pending claims be allowed and the case passed to issue.

If there are any other issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted



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